

Judge Torrey
Dear Sir

I hope you will
please the inclose
and send me a donation
for my college. I
have heard Col. O. W.
Dokey speak of
you and I will look
for some help of you
Yrs Respy
A. M. Barritt

We need \$2,000 more to complete the BARRETT HIGH SCHOOL at Pee Dee, Anson County, N. C. Schools in this section are very poor for the colored race. We have been successful, through the untiring efforts of the Rev. A. M. Barrett, A. M., Principal, to get the buildings so we can use them and run our School eight months. We have paid out \$4,000 already, and we hope the friends will send us a few dollars to aid us in our College work. We are incorporated, and are doing as best we can to educate our sons and daughters. We trust that God will enable each one who receives this card to send us at least \$5.00, or more. "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth to the Lord; and that which he hath given He will pay him again."

REV. A. M. BARRETT, A. M., Principal,
Pee Dee, Anson County, N. C.

North Carolina, Moore County.

To Whom it may Concern:

I have known the Rev. A. M. Barrett since his boyhood, and take a great deal of pleasure in recommending him to the public as an honest and industrious representative of the colored race. He has labored continuously since he obtained his freedom to improve the moral and intellectual condition of his people; any aid extended to him in his endeavors to educate his race will be as seed sown in good ground, and any statement he may make may be relied upon.

Given under my hand and seal of office at office in Carthage 31st March, 1890.

A. H. McNeill, Notary Public.

I am informed by citizens of Pee Dee, who are trustworthy, that Rev. A. M. Barrett, Presiding Elder of the A. M. E. Zion Church, now engaged also in the laudable effort to found a High School at Pee Dee for the benefit of his race, is a gentleman of good character and pious life, who is striving to do all that he can do to aid his race in the walks of peace and in the direction of good citizenship.

I am sure, from the testimonials as to his life and character which I have seen, that he is a just man, seeking to do good.

I am truly,

R. T. Bennett,

Ex-Congressman.

WADESBORO, N. C.

April 3rd, 1890.

THE BARRETT HIGH SCHOOL, PEE DEE, N. C.

The above named institution of learning was organized and erected (1889-'90 and '91) at Pee Dee, N. C., specifically for the education of the colored youth. There now stands an elegant brick structure upon premises belonging to the institution, measuring 56 x 30 and 40 x 30 feet—three (3) stories high, together with a large wooden structure only a few feet apart—costing in the aggregate \$4,039.75, and yet the buildings are not completed. We need \$2,000 more for that purpose.

Rev. A. M. Barrett, A. M., the founder and principal, is a colored man of acknowledged ability and unquestioned character. All this magnificent work was performed and executed mainly by the personal efforts and private purse of this gentleman and brother.

The institution is duly and regularly incorporated under the laws of the State.

We, the committee of said school, do hereby humbly petition friends to aid us in its ultimate completion and thereby assist in redeeming and elevating a long suffering, yet industrious people to reach the full level of enlightened manhood and womanhood.

Before, however, concluding this short address to you let us publicly acknowledge our gratitude and sincere thanks for donations coming from the following distinguished gentlemen, to-wit:

Edmond Morrell, Esq., of Philadelphia; Rev. Dr. Phillip Brooks of Boston; Rev. Dr. G. H. Greer of New York; Rev. Dr. Corey of Washington, D. C.; Rev. Dr. Stewart Dodge of New York; Honorable Levi P. Morton, Vice-President; Senators (U. S.) Sawyer and Everts; Honorable O. H. Dockery, U. S. Consul General to Brazil; T. S. Quackenbush of Newburgh, N. Y.; Mrs. Abbie W. Turner of Randolph, Mass.; Hon. R. T. Paie of Boston; S. B. Schiefflin of New York; P. P. Lewis, Esq., of New York; F. E. Lewis, Esq., of New York; R. Little of Little's Mills, N. C.; Hon. John McRea, P. M. of Wadesboro, N. C.; Hon. Elias Carr of Old Sparta, N. C.; J. C. Winder, General Manager Seaboard Air Line; Honorable Zebulon B. Vance, U. S. Senate; J. M. Smith, Sheriff, Rockingham, N. C.; Hon. H. C. Dockery, Mrs. Annie C. Leak of Rockingham, N. C.; H. S. Ledbetter, Esq., Rockingham, N. C.; Dr. McNeill of Fayetteville, N. C.; Col. A. F. Page of Aberdeen, N. C., and others whose names are too numerous to insert in this circular.

Please help us dear friends at once, that we may be able to complete our institution, save it for the future good of our common country. You would, indeed, do us a favor, for which we shall feel grateful, should you ever correspond with our beloved principal with a view of encouragement and also to introduce the school to our mutual friends. Believe us to be

Very respectfully,

Yours for God and humanity,

REV. A. M. BARRETT, Founder and Principal,
D. C. ROBINSON,
J. D. PARKER,
WATT RATLIFF,
WASHINGTON LILES, and others.

Below will be found the certificate of letters of incorporation, issued regularly by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Anson county, as required by the law, to wit:

THE BARRETT HIGH SCHOOL.

LETTERS OF INCORPORATION, ISSUED NOVEMBER 17TH, 1891.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } SUPERIOR COURT,
ANSON COUNTY. } OFFICE OF CLERK.

BE IT KNOWN, That this day E. H. Barrett, A. M. Barrett, W. W. Barrett, A. Timmons, H. Newton, H. C. Chambers, H. McKay, G. G. Bright, William Wallace, J. D. Parker, A. J. Settle, C. B. Fletcher, M. G. Gains, D. W. Dickerson, M. H. Mendenhall, H. B. Gordon, Z. T. Robinson, Wat. Ratliff, Frank Ratliff, Washington Liles, D. C. Robinson, George Wall, M. Mendenhall and H. W. Newton have filed and deposited in this office articles of agreement and association, which have been admitted to probate and recorded, and having complied with the requirements of the Statute in such case made and provided, they and all other persons that may be associated with them and their successors are hereby declared to be, and they are, for a term of ninety-nine years (99), commencing with this day, a corporation, under the name and style of "The Barrett High School," the purpose of which, according to the articles of association, being to educate the youth of the colored race in all branches and departments common to normal and academic schools, to foster morality, encourage virtue, stimulate habits of temperance, industry and economy; promote love of home and country, and chiefly, to prepare the negro youth for the high callings of teaching and the Christian ministry; the school to be non-sectarian in character. The capital stock of said association to be not less than five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, and not exceed twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars, in shares of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars each. The business of said association to be conducted, and its principal office to be located at the town of Pee Dee, in said county of Anson.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name as Clerk and affix the Seal of said Court, at office in the town of Wadesborough, this the 17th day of November, A. D. 1891.

JOHN C. McLAUHLIN, Clerk of Superior Court.